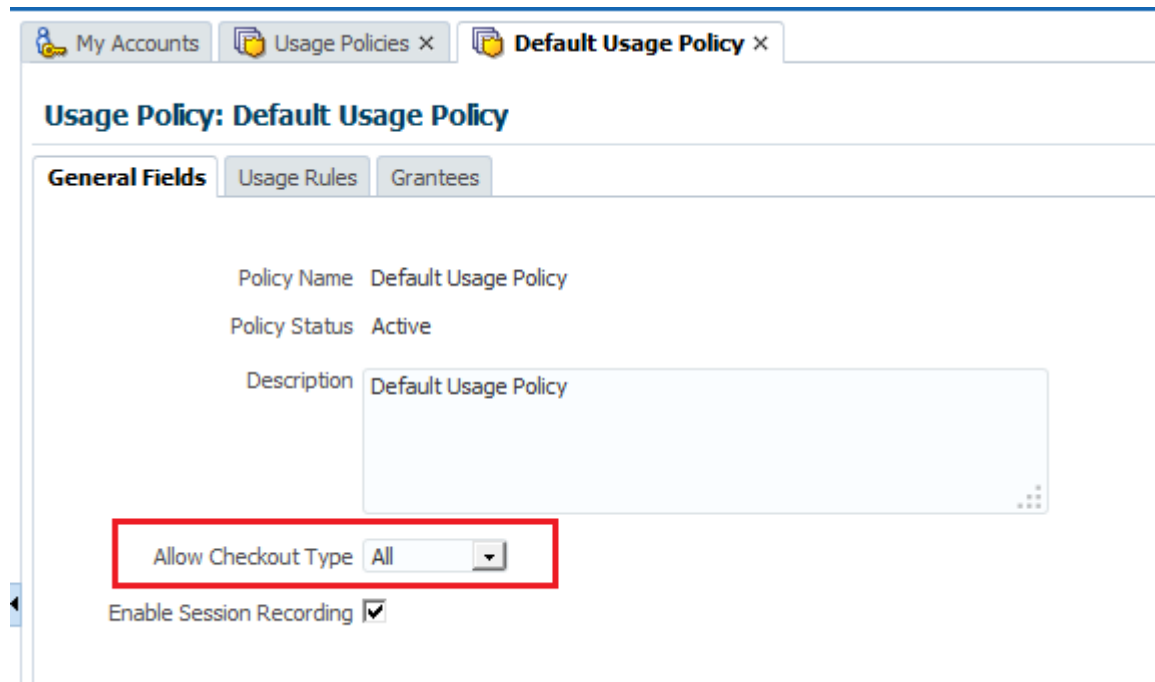# OPAM Session Checkout via Session Manager (new in OPAM PS2)

OPAM provides an excellent feature using which an end user can obtain access to a UNIX or Linux based system in a secure way. ***The password for the OS is never used in this process***.

Pre-requisite: For Session Checkout to be available, the ***Usage Policy*** attached to the Account should support the same
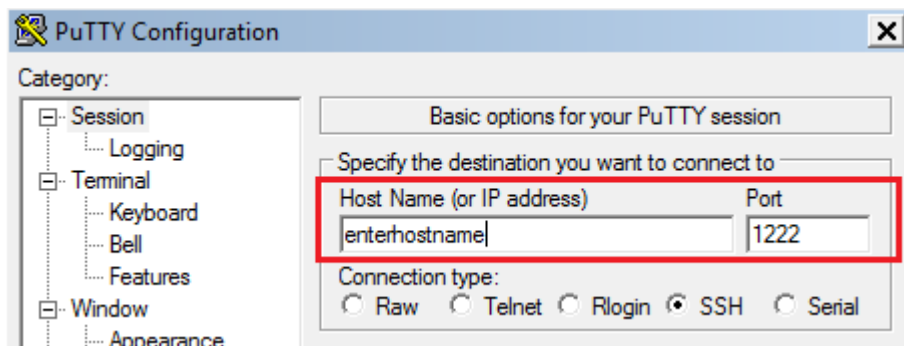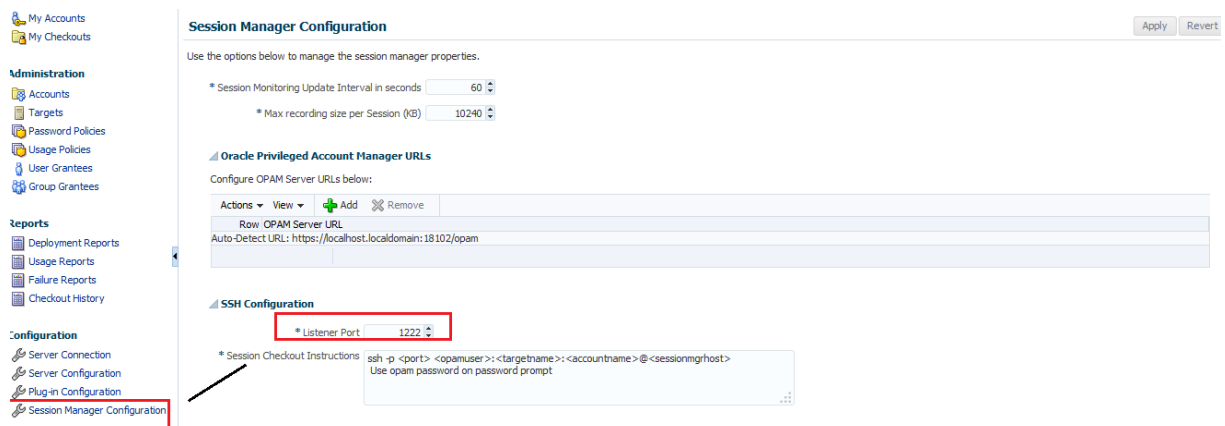

Managing Session Checkouts

Open a SSH client (we will use PUTTY here)

Enter the host/IP of the UNIX/Linux box and make sure the port you are connecting to is the same as configured in the ***Session Manager Configuration***

On login as: prompt, enter the following

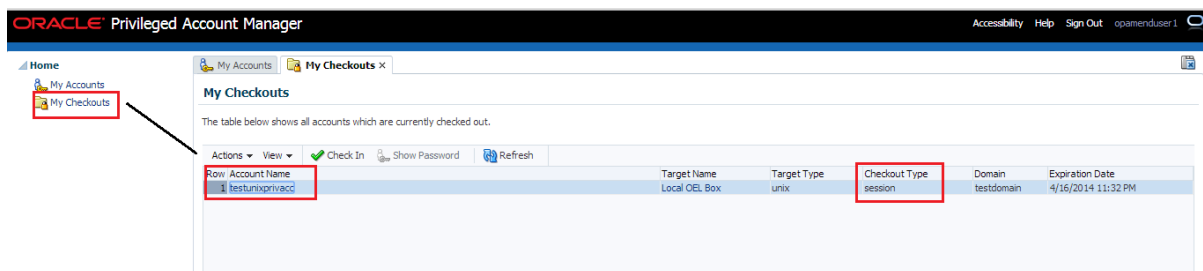*<opamlogincredential>:<name of target in OPAM>:<name of the unix account>*

Enter your OPAM login password when prompted for the password

You should be able to login successfully

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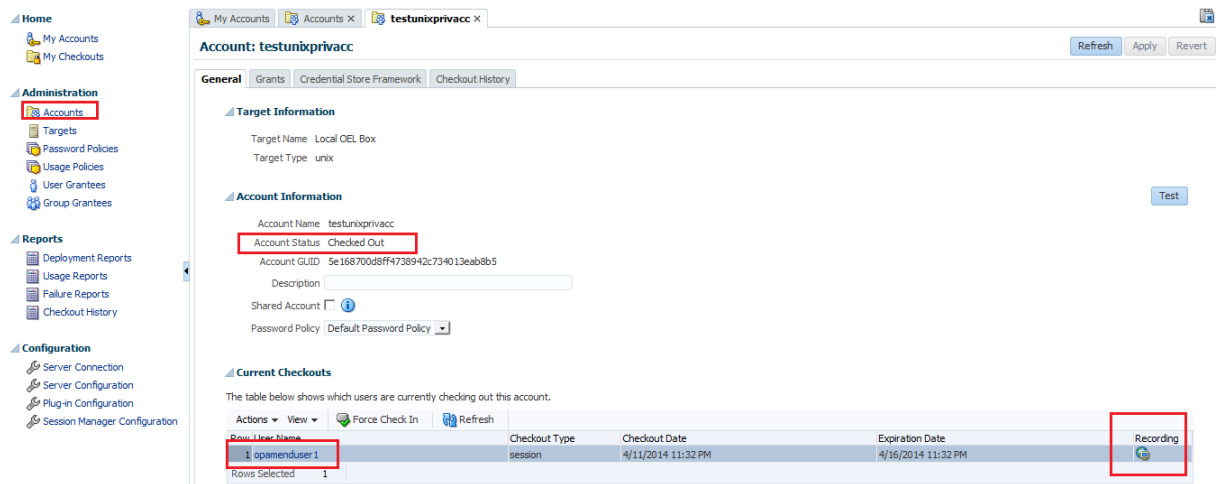As an end user, you can confirm the Session check out

Log into OPAM

An OPAM admin can track the complete session activity in real time

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Browse as directed and click on Recording (highlighted). This will open up a new browser tab/window
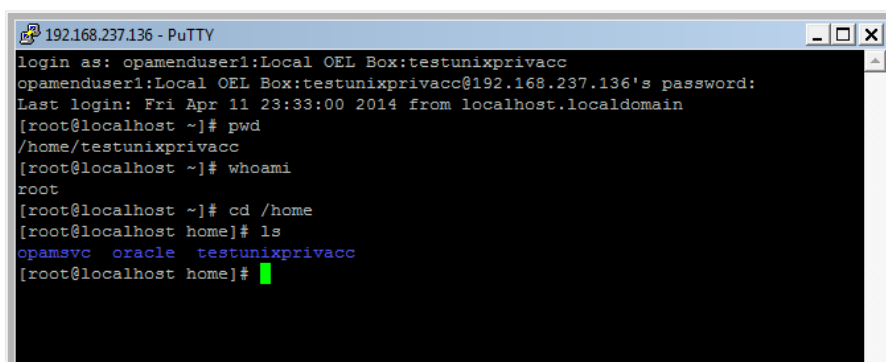
See a comparison of the operations actually executed on the command prompt and the transcript in the browser window

Checking in a checked out session is same as checking in a password checkout

Login as end user into OPAM

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